



The Sabah biodiversity experiment (SBE) is one of the largest scientific investigations into forest ecology and restoration. For the next half century scientists from all over the world will try to answer questions such as these:

How does biodiversity affect the functioning of tropical forest ecosystems?

In particular: Can restoring the biodiversity of degraded forests improve carbon sequestration and the rates of other ecosystem processes?

Standing in an experimental patch of forest, a scientist notes the changes in the under storey.

103	98	93	88	83
102	97	92	87	82

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